

main branch of the North West Fork River, at or near a place known by the name of the Old Bloomery in said county, and a road to lead from the said Bloomery Branch to intersect the Delaware line in a south easterly direction, somewhere about the farm of Joseph Vickers, and a new county road leading from the village of Federalsburgh, in said county, to intersect the main road leading to Denton, somewhere between Staunton's mill and Dick's old field; Therefore,

1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Thomas Saulsbury, Tilghman Davis, Jacob Charles, Curtis Andrew, and Elijah B. Sipple, be and they are hereby appointed commissioners, for the purpose of ascertaining the probable costs and expense of building the bridge aforesaid in a good, substantial and workmanlike manner, and laying out, opening and clearing, the roads aforesaid, and report the same to the levy court of said county at their next annual session thereafter.

Expenses of building bridge and opening roads to be ascertained

2. *And be it enacted,* That when the aforesaid commissioners shall have ascertained the probable costs and expense of building the bridge, and opening the roads aforesaid, and reported the same to the levy court, the court may and are hereby authorised and empowered, if they, or a majority of them, in their judgment shall be of an opinion, that it is expedient and advisable either to build said bridge, or open either of said roads, or both of them, to authorise the said commissioners, or a majority of them, to contract and agree with any person or persons, upon the best and cheapest terms they can, to build and finish the said bridge in a good substantial and workmanlike manner, and to lay out, open, and clear said roads, or either of them, as the case may be, and shall take the contractor or contractors bond or bonds, with good and sufficient security or securities, under such penalty or penalties as the said commissioners may think right and proper, for the faithful performance thereof; *Provided,* that the said road or roads shall not go through the garden, yard or meadow, of any person or persons, without his, her or their consent.

When ascertained levy court may build, &c.

Provide

3. *And be it enacted,* That the said bridge, when built and completed, and the said road or roads when opened, cleared and made good, shall be submitted to the view and inspection of the commissioners, or a majority of them, who upon viewing and examining the said bridge and road or roads, and finding the same finished and completed, agreeably to the provisions, true intent and meaning of this act, shall give a certificate thereof, to be returned to the clerk of Caroline county court, to be there recorded, and shall forever thereafter be deemed and taken as a public highway, and kept in repair in the same manner as other public roads are in the said county.

When finished to be deemed a public highway

4. *And be it enacted,* That the levy court are hereby authorised and empowered to levy such sum or sums of money, to and for the use of the said contractor or contractors, in such instalments, and payable in such manner, as they shall or may direct, for the purposes aforesaid, and levy to and for the use of each of the said commissioners the sum of one dollar and fifty cents for each and every day that they may be employed on such commission.

Levy authorised